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## EPD officers arrest one on felony attempting to elude and drug charges

Elba Police made an arrest Sunday, Jan. 14, after also was charged with possession of a controlled substance [\$30,000 bond]. He reportedly tried to elude officers.



Bowden

According to the Coffee County Jail report, Robert Bowden, age 53, of Elba was booked into the jail at 3:24 a.m. that morning on a felony attempting to elude released on bond at 7:45 (no injury) charge, which p.m. Sunday night.

## Jack, Ala. man arrested by Coffee County Deputies on drug charges

Deputies with the Coffee County Sheriff's Office arrested a Jack, Ala. man last Friday, Jan. 12, on illegal drug charges.



Jinright

According to the Coffee County Jail report, William Jinright, age 66, of Jack was booked into the county jail at 5:26 p.m. last Friday evening. 8:30 p.m. Monday night. He was charged with pos-

## Elba man accused of TOP - first via Alabama AG warrant

According to information from the Coffee County Sheriff's Office, Philip Brian Box, age 54, of Elba, Ala. turned himself in to Coffee County officials last Thursday, Jan. 11, on an alleged theft of property - first degree charge, which is a Class B felony in Alabama.



Box

Reportedly, an arrest warrant was obtained by the Wednesday afternoon.

## Road work set to begin Jan. 22nd on portions of Coffee County Road 514

According to the Coffee County Highway Department, portions of Coffee County Road 514 will be closed to thru traffic between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. beginning Monday, Jan. 22, for drainage improvements.

This project should be completed in approximately two weeks after work begins. Detour routes and updates of the exact location of the closed portions of Cty. Rd. 514 will be posted on the county's website as the project progresses.



**DOING GOOD IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD...** The Elba Masonic Lodge #170 had a good year in 2023, and the local Masons are looking forward to a great 2024. The Elba Lodge is one of the most active lodges in Alabama, and members said they could not do it without the support of the community. Last week, the Elba Masonic Lodge members happily gave a little back to the community by donating a \$300 check to the Elba Senior Citizens Center. The funds were donated to the senior citizens center in thanks for its support of the annual Car Show fundraiser the Masonic Lodge holds in downtown Elba. The check was presented to Elba Senior Citizens Center director Summer Manning. Those pictured above include (from left) S/W Mike Amison, Worshipful Master Wendell Black, Manning, and Eddie Kelley.



**Work is well underway on this Alabama Department of Transportation resurfacing project in Elba.** This is along Hwy. 203 between Reese Avenue (Hwy. 189) and U.S. Highway 84. The project work began last week. There was no work on Tuesday of this week due to weather, but work crews were expected to return as soon as conditions improved. Wiregrass Construction Company is completing the work included in this project.

## ALDOT resurfacing project underway in Elba

The Alabama Department of Transportation [ALDOT] began a resurfacing project in Elba last week on Alabama Highway 189 [or more specifically Hwy 203 between Reese Avenue and U.S. Highway 84].

The project will consist of shoulder widening, planning, resurfacing, and traffic stripe from Reese Avenue to Hwy. 84. There have been and will continue to be lane closures and a reduced speed limit throughout the project.

Motorists are advised to plan accordingly for delays and

be mindful of equipment and people working in the work zone. Of course, inclement weather will affect work [as it did earlier this week].

ALDOT awarded the project to Wiregrass Construction Company Inc. of Dothan, Ala. This company had the lowest bid that met project requirements at a cost of \$589,453.82.

According to ALDOT officials, the project is expected to be completed in Spring 2024.

## Governor Ivey makes stop on statewide broadband tour

Governor Kay Ivey on Thursday, Jan. 11, completed the fourth stop on her broadband tour at Troy University.

She discussed the importance of high-speed internet in allowing Alabama students to rise to the modernization of 21st-century education, while highlighting the progress being made in broadband projects in the Wiregrass region, as well as across the state.

"The intersection of education and technology marks a significant step forward in our state's digital evolution. Our dedication to integrating high-speed internet across the state reflects our broader commitment to ensuring that our students' education keeps pace with technological advancements," said Governor Kay Ivey. "Together, through our hard work achieving digital advancement, we will craft a brighter, more connected future for all of Alabama."

At the event, Governor Ivey was joined by Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs Director Kenneth Boswell, Sen. Donnie Chasteen (R-Geneva), Rep. Marcus Parhamore (R-Troy), and Troy University Chancellor Jack Hawkins.

The speakers addressed the nearly \$21 million in grant and matching

funds committed for broadband projects which will give more than 6,600 currently unserved addresses the ability to be connected in Coffee, Covington, Crenshaw, Geneva, Houston, Montgomery and Pike counties. Additionally, the overall success of the Alabama Broadband Accessibility Fund (ABAFF) was discussed.

ABAFF, which is funded by the Alabama Legislature,

supports targeted projects in communities in need of high-speed internet access. These funds, awarded by Governor Ivey and managed by ADECA, give internet service providers the ability to execute projects that connect individual households, businesses, community anchor institutions such as libraries and schools, and others to broadband infrastructure.

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awards supporting more than 100 projects through the Alabama Broadband Accessibility Fund. Once all Alabama Broadband Accessibility Fund projects awarded to date have been completed, access to broadband service will be available to more than 72,000 Alabama households, businesses and community institutions that currently have no option to subscribe.

As legislators, it's imperative for us to make important investments where they count to create the greatest possible impact for Alabamians," said Sen. Chasteen. "Broadband infrastructure is right up at the top of the list when it comes to priorities that will create a stronger future for our state. I am proud of what we have done to this point to deliver high-speed internet to Alabamians, and we'll continue pushing for internet expansion until all Alabamians are able to get connected."

"Our continued progress in expanding high-speed internet access would not be possible without a unified team working hard every day to accomplish our state's broadband goals," said Director Boswell. "This team includes Governor Ivey, the Alabama Legislature, internet service providers, and others too numerous to name working together to make sure Alabama residents and communities have the tools needed to thrive."

Alabamians interested in learning more about what the state is doing to expand high-speed internet access are encouraged to visit the Be Linked Alabama website, a hub of internet expansion information and news. Available at broadband.alabama.gov, the site includes the Alabama Broadband Map, county profiles and dashboards and statewide broadband news.

Be Linked Alabama represents the state's united effort to expand access to affordable, reliable high-speed internet. As Alabama works toward achieving the goal of high-speed internet access for all, the statewide initiative is coordinated by ADECA and brings together partners from across the state, including Governor Ivey, the Alabama Legislature, internet service providers, research institutions, utility companies, community leaders and the public.

## Area Happenings

**The Elba City Council** will meet Monday, Jan. 22, at 5:30 p.m. at Elba City Hall. Council meetings are open to the public.

**The Elba Lions Club** will meet Tuesday, Jan. 23, at 6 p.m., at the Elba Senior Citizens Center in downtown Elba. All members are invited to attend this meeting. Topic of discussion will be the annual Pancake Breakfast, which is scheduled for March.

**The Miss Elba Pageant** will be Saturday, Feb. 3, beginning at 5 p.m. at the Elba High School auditorium. It is open to all girls attending Elba City Schools.

## EDITORIAL

**"I am standing up for Alabamians and protecting our jobs"**

### Governor Kay Ivey says unions want to target one of Alabama's crown jewel industries

**Editorial by Alabama Governor Kay Ivey**

September 30, 1993, marked a watershed moment in Alabama history. That is the day Mercedes-Benz went against the grain and chose our state to be the home of their first U.S. manufacturing facility. It was a decision that changed the future of our state like no one could have imagined.

Fast forward more than

thirty years to January 2024, and Alabama is a top five automotive manufacturing state with five world-class Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) – Mercedes-Benz, Honda, Hyundai, Toyota and Mazda. These manufacturers are key drivers of our economy, but who drives their success? The answer is nearly 50,000 hardworking Alabamians in the automotive manufacturing sector.

The men and women who

work in Alabama OEM facilities and about 150 supporting supplier employers are highly skilled and highly paid. Helping create these types of opportunities is a major reason I sought public office in the first place. Opportunity is why I focus on education, workforce development and economic development. Every person who wants a good job in Alabama should be given every advantage the state can provide to land that job, turn it into a career and support their family with it.

Let's take a step back to look at Alabama's success in automotive manufacturing.

Mercedes-Benz came to Tuscaloosa in the 1990s and brought a host of its suppliers. More followed: Honda began producing vehicles in Lincoln in 2001; Hyundai production in Montgomery began in 2005; Toyota started manufacturing engines in Huntsville in 2003, then in 2018, Toyota announced a joint venture partnership with Mazda to form Mazda Toyota Manufacturing in

Limestone County.

Today, all of that invest-

ment equates to a 1.3 mil-

lion annual vehicle produc-

tion capacity; more than \$9

billion in annual exports;

production of 15 differ-

ent cars, SUVs and trucks,

including three cutting-

edge, all-electric vehicles;

and it ranks Alabama the

number 3 state for vehicle

exports and the number five

state for total auto produc-

tion.

and can be proud to raise a family here. I will always stand strong for our hard-working men and women, as well as our world-class employers. When Alabamians are successful, our state is successful.

Alabama has a proud industrial past. Alabama is a leader in innovation and opportunity. It is a state where employers want to do business because they know they can succeed. And Alabama is a state that has proven it can be a worldwide leader in automotive manufacturing.

Alabama embraced a watershed moment in 1993,

and we may soon face another watershed decision

when the UAW asks nearly

50,000 Alabamians: Do you

want continued opportunity

and success the Alabama

way? Or do you want out-of-

state special interests telling

Alabama how to do business?

For me, the choice is

clear. I stand by our prov-

en track record of success.

That is why I will always

proudly support the great

Alabama employers and

the best employees in the

world. That is why I will

continue to make education,

workforce development and

economic development my

top priorities. Alabamians

work harder than anyone,

we make the best automo-

biles in the world, and we

must not let UAW tell us

differently.

As governor, my special

interest is the well-being of

our great state and each of

the five million Alabamians

who live here, who have an

opportunity to succeed here

Saturday, Jan. 13 –

Suspicious circumstances reported at 375 Hwy 203

(1:34 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 331 Putnam St (1:38 a.m.);

Suspicious circumstances reported at 1625 Parker St (1:42 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 911 Farris Ave (5:11 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 861 Cedar Lane Dr (6:34 p.m.);

Noise complaint reported on Beaver Dam St (11:02 p.m.). Thirteen traffic stops resulted in three citations, six written warnings, three verbal warnings, and one verbal warning, and one citation.

Sunday, Jan. 14 –

Vehicle traveling at a high

rate of speed reported on Hwy 125 (2:10 a.m.).

Seven traffic stops resulted in four written warnings, one citation, and two verbal warnings.

Monday, Jan. 15 –

Suspicious person reported at 588 County Rd 360

(1:31 a.m.); Harassment reported at 389 Tucker Ave

(11:40 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 638 Claxton Ave N (12:36 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 2050 Taylor Mill Rd (12:53 p.m.); Harassment reported at 389 Tucker Ave (5:26 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 603 Kendrick St (10:14 p.m.).

As she griped about the

coldness all the way to her

destination, she decided it

might be best to warn Sister

since she had probably not

stepped outside her office

since getting to work that

morning either.

When Sister answered

Lou Lou's telephone call,

Lou Lou began her very

enthusiastic whine, "We

are not made for this mess!

The north needs to come

get its weather!!"

Sister, of course, imme-

diately began to laugh, but

that did not stop Lou Lou's

whining...

She explained what had

just happened as she exited

her office and informed

Sister that she might want

to be prepared when she

left for lunch later in the

day.

"I have my rain jacket

with me, but I might need

to grab a heavier coat when

I go to lunch," was Sister's

rationale to the conversation.

"Yes! And, when you put

that rain jacket on to head

outside for lunch you bet-

ter just go ahead and put

that hood on too," Lou Lou

exclaimed. "If you don't you

will be singing the same

song I am singing! There

is a reason the good Lord put

us in the south. We cannot

handle this cold mess!! It

needs to go away!!!"

If nothing else, Lou Lou

provided Sister with her

comic relief for the day.

Here's to hoping every-

one in Yonder made it

through the arctic blast

without freezing too much,

and let's hope warmer days

will return sooner rather

than later. The "I like the

cooler weather folks" have

had enough for this year!

Until next time...God

Bless and Keep Smiling!

## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

While Mr. Ferrin is warmly snuggled at his daughter's house during his recovery time, we wanted to pass on some words of wisdom he would surely be giving out during this cold weather time we have been experiencing this week. Be sure to put on some extra layers of clothing and bundle up if you have to be outside. These cold temperatures and even colder winds are not what we are used to in these parts. Also, remember to keep a check on our elderly folks. It may be difficult for them to get out and about right now. Make sure they have all the things needed to get through this time. If you can, run an errand for them to the store, etc. to help keep them from having to get out. Let's all look after one another and hopefully things will warm back up quickly!

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### Elba Police Report

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2024, through Monday, Jan. 15, 2024, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center –

Tuesday, Jan. 9 –

Suspicious person reported at 914 Flournoy Dr (9:18 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1231 Ann St (3:51 p.m.); Harassment reported at 243 Old Samson Rd (4:36 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 7815 Hwy 87 (7:28 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at 431 Davis St E (9:57 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a verbal warning.

Wednesday, Jan. 10 –

Suspicious vehicle reported at 595 Collier St (1:03 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on the Troy Hwy (1:46 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1119 Reese Ave (8:10 a.m.); Reckless driver reported in area of Hwy 189 and Hwy 141 (7:54 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Reese Ave (8:54 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in one verbal warning, one written warning, and one citation.

Thursday, Jan. 11 –

Trespassing reported at 609 Pinecove Dr (3:46 a.m.); Animal complaint reported on County Rd 263 (6:13 a.m.); Civil disturbance reported at 331 Putnam St (1:38 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1625 Parker St (1:42 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 911 Farris Ave (5:11 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported

## D.A. announces conviction of man in Pike County for firing into an occupied building

On Thursday, Jan. 11, a Pike County jury found Justin Perry Blair guilty of the crime of shooting into an occupied building at the conclusion of a trial that lasted into the third day, according to information released by 12th Judicial Circuit District Attorney James Tarbox.

Testimony and evidence presented during the trial, which was prosecuted by Senior Assistant District Attorney Jon Folmar, showed that on October 16, 2022, Blair and a co-defendant were involved in a minor verbal altercation at a residence in the 400 block of South Brundidge Street in Troy. After returning to their vehicle with the co-defendant, Blair fired a dozen rounds towards the residence.

Tarbox said evidence showed that multiple occupied residences were struck by projectiles during the

incident.

"I appreciate the work of Senior ADA Folmar in prosecuting this case. It is important that as a District Attorney's Office we take all cases seriously, but especially shooting cases. The safety of all citizens of the 12th Circuit is and will remain our priority when prosecuting crime," Tarbox said. "We were fortunate in this incident that no one was struck with gunfire. The actions of this defendant could have seriously wounded or killed an innocent person. Our office is thankful for the jurors and their service in rendering this verdict."

Blair is scheduled to be sentenced on March 13th.

The District Attorney's Office appreciates the work of the Troy Police Department and the Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences in investigating this matter.

## Norah M. Martin of Jack, Ala. makes President's List and graduates from Jax State

Norah M. Martin of Jack, Ala., recently was named to the President's List at Jacksonville State University [Jax State] in Jacksonville, Ala., for outstanding academic performance over the Fall 2023 semester.

To be named to the President's List, students must earn a perfect 4.0 GPA for

## Annual Pike Piddlers Storytelling Festival set for Jan. 26th and 27th

The Brundidge Historical Society invites all to the 2024 Pike Piddlers Storytelling Festival set for Friday, Jan. 26, and Saturday, Jan. 27, in Pike County.

There will be one show on Friday evening, Jan. 26, beginning at 6:30 p.m., at the We Piddle Around Theatre, Brundidge, Ala. This show will include supper and stories. Tickets for Friday night only are \$30.

There will be three shows on Saturday, Jan. 27, at the Trojan Center Theatre on the Troy University campus in Troy, Ala. Showtimes are 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Tickets for only the 10 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. shows are \$10 each while tickets for the 2 p.m. show only are \$15 each.

Visit Coffee County's website for upcoming election information

Coffee County Probate Judge Jodee R. Thompson invites voters to visit the election website: [www.coffeecountyyvotes.com](http://www.coffeecountyyvotes.com). While there, one can:

\*Register to vote

\*Check your registration status

\*View a sample ballot

\*Find your polling location

\*View the offices up for elections

\*View a current list of elected officials

\*Apply to become a poll worker

\*Apply for an absentee ballot, and much more!

There are bundle and save options for tickets. A weekend pass for \$55 allows access to all four shows over the weekend while the Saturday combo for \$30 allows access to all three Saturday shows.

Featured storytellers this year include Donald Davis, Michael Reno Harrell, Dolores Hydock, and Rev. Robert Jones.

To reserve tickets, call (334) 403-3394 [or weekends only, 8-5, call 334-670-6302]. Also, visit [www.piddle.org](http://www.piddle.org) for more information.

New Brockton resident makes President's List at Georgia Southern

Georgia Southern University recently recognized approximately 2,350 students on the Fall 2023 President's List.

Heaven Divinity of New Brockton, Ala., has been named to the list for excellence in academics. To be eligible for the President's List, a student must have at least a 4.0 grade point average and carry a minimum of 12 hours for the semester.

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## Obituaries

Obits are updated regularly on our website: [www.elba-clipper.com](http://www.elba-clipper.com)

### BILLY D. DRIGGERS

Mr. Billy D. Driggers, age 85, of Elba, Ala., died Thursday, Jan. 11, 2024, at Medical Center Enterprise in Enterprise, Ala.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Jan. 14, 2024, at the Elba Church of Christ with Min. Greg Hanchey and Rev. Harry Driggers officiating. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directed the services.

Bill was a follower of Jesus. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Sharon Frederick, his son, Billy M. Driggers, his parents, Johnnie and Eva Wambles Driggers, his brothers, Herman Driggers, Howard "Sam" Driggers, Lloyd Driggers, his sisters, Ovie Flournoy, Elva Marshall, Marie Tucker, and his grandsons, Jonathan Richardson and Billy M. Driggers II.

Survivors include his wife: Joann Holley Driggers, Elba; daughters: Denise Bryan and Sondra Driggers, both of Elba, Genevieve (Chris) Daniel, Richmond, Va., Shelia (Derrell) Thrower, Smiths Station, Ala., and Cheryle (Steve) Ellenburg, Enterprise; sons: Greg (Lisa) Hanchey, Elba, and Cory (Alyssa) Driggers, Dothan, Ala.; and brother, Harry Driggers, Brantley, Ala.; along with a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be announced for a later date. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba is assisting the

Smith family with service arrangements.

Survivors include his parents: John Robert and Linda Smith, Elba; brother: John Darren Smith and sister-in-law, Kelley Smith, and nephews: Joseph Darren Smith, and Jackson Davis Smith, all of Hahira, Ga.

### JOSEPH FRANCIS MARIO MORETTI

Mr. Joseph Francis Mario Moretti, age 70, of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2024, at his home in Elba.

Memorial services were held Sunday,

Jan. 14, 2024, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Mr. Jeff Keisacker officiating.

Mr. Moretti was preceded in death by his father, Mario Moretti, his mother, Evelyn Moretti, and his son, David Keisacker.

Survivors include his wife: Nancy Moretti, Elba; daughters: Teresa (Patrick) Charette, Crystal River, Fla., Jennifer (Gary) Wilkinson, Jacksonville, Fla., Catherine Broadway, Elba, Melanie (Gerald) Martinez, Albuquerque, N.M.; sons: Jeff (Renda) Keisacker, Milton, Fla., Joey Moretti, Albuquerque; and sister: Josephine (Johnny) Albert, Gilbertsville, Pa.; along with 21 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be announced for a later date. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba is assisting the

Moretti family with service arrangements.

Survivors include his two sons: Robert W. Moore (Diane) and Timothy C. Moore (Cindy); his brother: Fred Moore; four grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

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## Pastor's Corner

by Rev. Ken Wilson, Pastor  
Westside Baptist Church, Elba

### "Big" and "Little"

My two best friends in growing up had the same name. They lived next door to each other across the street from my house. From my earliest memories of playing in the neighborhood they were there. I don't ever remember not knowing them.

John Pegues lived on the corner lot across the street from our corner lot. He was two years younger than me but every bit as big as I was. He was affectionately known as "little John". Jon Suttle lived next door to John Pegues. Although, he was seven months younger than me he was twice my size. Obviously he became known as "Big Jon". They were both big Auburn fans but that was never really a problem since Auburn only beat Alabama once in our childhood.

Because we did so much together, having to say "Big Jon" this and "Little John" that, began to get rather tedious so I shortened it to simply "Big" and "Little" and the rest of the neighborhood followed suit. Most every afternoon after school and every Saturday were spent with one or both them. We sold lemonade on the corner, went on adventures in "little John's" tree house, won Super Bowls in "big Jon's" front yard and World Series in my yard. They were both like brothers to me and we fought like it. We would beat each other up all the time but if someone from another neighborhood ever said anything about any of us the other two were quick to defend the third.

Growing up together forms a bond that can last a lifetime. We walked to school together; later rode to school together and even took our dates to the same places occasionally. We didn't always agree on things or take the same paths in life but the bond remained. I always knew I could count on "Big" and "Little" when the chips were down. There was an unspoken unity that came to exist between the three of us, not really from what we had done together but because of what we had lost together.

It started in the spring of 1973. I remember my Dad was called to Big John's house in the middle of the night because his Dad had suffered a heart attack. It wasn't the first one he had experienced but this one was his last. Mr. Suttle died the next morning. Little John and I went over to Big Jon's house because, well, we just knew we needed to. We were 8 and 9 year old kids without a clue as to what to say but we knew that our friend needed us. I don't remember what we said or did but I know that Big Jon was glad that we were there for a while.

Then in August of 1974 my mother lost her battle with cancer. The morning after she died Big and Little were at my door not knowing what to say but knowing they needed to be there. Big and I talked a lot in the months that followed about feelings and loss and moving on. Things that 10 and 11 year old boys ought not to have to talk about but we did. We understood that we shared some scars that would never completely heal and could be opened unexpectedly with just a word or two.

Life went on and we all grew into our teenage years. Big Jon and I graduated and went to the University of Montevallo. He would later transfer to Auburn, of course, but I stayed. In our first semester I got a call one night that Little John's father had died suddenly from a brain aneurism. Of course "Big" and I were back at home for the visitation and the funeral. We didn't really have to say anything and "Little" understood that we were there because our friend needed us. Although we were no longer all together we were still held together by a bond that could not be broken.

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**IN HIM WAS  
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**ABUNDANT LIFE  
CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.  
Richard Thorpe Sr., Pastor  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.**

**ALBERTON BAPTIST  
CHURCH**

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sam Self, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

**BETHEL AME CHURCH**

Deborah A. Butler, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

**BETHLEHEM BAPTIST  
CHURCH**

David Noble, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Class . . . 6:30 p.m.

**BETHANY BAPTIST  
CHURCH**

Greg Cotter, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Disciple Train . . . 5:30 p.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:30 p.m.

**BLUFF SPRINGS  
BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**BROOKLYN BAPTIST  
CHURCH**

Robert Davis, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

**CHESTNUT GROVE  
METHODIST CHURCH**

Remonia Smith, Pastor  
Church Service . . . 9:00 a.m.

2nd & 4th Sundays

Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.

2nd & 4th Sundays

**CORNERSTONE BIBLE  
CHURCH**

Larry Mills, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

**ELBA UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**

Steve Reneau, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Services . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

**ELBA ZION BAPTIST  
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Loved Martin, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

**HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH**

Mark Cooper, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.  
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**HILL ASSEMBLY  
OF GOD**

Shirlee Ellis, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
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**HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC**

W. K. Ellison, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
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**HAWK ASSEMBLY  
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John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
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**LOVE'S WAY CHURCH**

Charles Jones, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

**MARVIN LUCKETT JR.  
PASTOR**

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.  
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/s/Jodee R. Thompson

Judge of Probate

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**Waterworks & Sewer Board of the Town of New Brockton**  
New Brockton, AL  
Water Main Replacement Project

Project

ADVERTISEMENT FOR

BIDS

Sealed Bids for the construction of the Water Main

Replacement Project will

be received by the Waterworks &amp; Sewer Board of

the Town of New Brockton,

at their office located at 706 E. McKinnon Street, New

Brockton, AL 36351, until

2:00 p.m. local time on February 1, 2024 at which time the Bids received will be

opened and read aloud. The Project consists of replacing

approximately 8,840 feet of

existing water mains with a

new 6" PVC water main and

necessary appurtenances.

Contract No. 1-Water Main

Replacement Project, Estimate=\$345,000, Contract

Time=60 Days

The Issuing Office for the

Bidding Documents is:

DHA Engineering, LLC,

2323 W. Main Street Ste.

227B Dothan, AL 36301,

334-585-5841, harmojo@gmail.com.

Prospective Bidders may examine the

Bidding Documents at the

Issuing Office and may obtain

copies of the Bidding

Documents from the Issuing

Office via pick-up or

mail upon a non-refundable

production cost payment of

\$100.

Bidding Documents also

may be examined at the Waterworks &amp; Sewer Board of

the Town of New Brockton

Office, 706 E. McKinnon

Street, New Brockton, AL

36351.

All bidders must register as

an official plan holder with

the engineer no later than 48

hours prior to the bid opening.

The owner reserves the

right to waive any informalities

and reject any or all bids.

Bid security shall be furnished

in accordance with the

Instruction to Bidders.

Bidders shall submit proof

of qualifications to perform

the Work as described in the

Instructions to Bidders.

Owner: Waterworks &amp;

Sewer Board of the Town of

New Brockton

By: Lucas Green

Title: Chairman

Date: January 8, 2024

END OF ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

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**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION****IN RE: ESTATE OF FRED GRISWOLD, JR., DECEASED****CAUSE NO: PR-2023-204****NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION TO OPEN INTESTATE ESTATE****You will please take notice****LEGAL NOTICES:**Public Notices also are posted on the websites: [www.elba-clipper.com](http://www.elba-clipper.com) and [www.alabamapublicnotices.com](http://www.alabamapublicnotices.com) at no extra charge

**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DIANNE M. NOWICKI, Deceased.**

CASE NO. PR 2024-001

**TAKE NOTICE** that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Scott Michael Nowicki, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Dianne Marie Nowicki, deceased, on the 5th day of January, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson,

**NOTICE IS HEREBY**

**GIVEN** that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/Jodee R. Thompson

Judge of Probate

1/11,18&amp;25-1-pd.

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**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION CASE NO: PC-2023-088****IN THE MATTER OF BRENTA MADDOX, Deceased.**

CASE NO: PC-2023-088

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Letters Testamentary of

said deceased having been

granted to the undersigned

on the 11th day of January,

2024, by the Honorable

Jodee Thompson, Judge of

the Probate Court of Coffee

County, Alabama, notice is

hereby given that all persons

having claims against said

estate are hereby required to

present the same within the

time allowed by law or the

same will be barred.

Done this 10th day of

January, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson

Probate Judge

1/18,25&amp;2/1-pd.

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**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA LOADER BACKHOE****ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR EQUIPMENT PURCHASE**Sealed Bids for **LOADER****BACKHOE** will be receivedby the **The City of Elba**,

at the meeting room of

**City Hall of Elba; 200 Buford Street; Elba, Alabama 36323**,until **11:00 a.m.** local time on **Friday, February 2, 2024**,

at which time the Bids received will be

publicly opened and read.

Bids shall be on a lump sum basis.

The Owner reserves the

right to reject any or all bids

and to waive any informalities.

No bidder may withdraw

his bid within 60 days after

the actual date of the opening

thereof.

**EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:**

Minimum specifications

current year model

or new latest year end

production model 4-wheel

drive Loader Backhoe

with Multi-Purpose loader

## SPORTS NEWS

### Views From The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

*There is no doubt our youngest grandson Cannon will want a pickup truck when he gets older! His Dad has two trucks, his favorite toys are trucks and his Nanny said that when she went for a visit last week he even took a truck to bed with him. I have already promised our grandson Lawson he could have my truck when he turns fifteen. So, I guess maybe in a few years it will be back to the used truck lot to hunt for another set of wheels.*

**For what it is worth....**

\*\*\* *The Elba Tigers suffered their first area loss* of the season last week in Florala, but played as well as they have played all season and there is no doubt the team is beginning to peak at just the right time. It is true Elba doesn't have a true point guard or a big man in the middle to help put points on the board. However, the players know what to expect from each other and where to go when they need a basket, and that is showing as they get into the meat of their schedule. As for the defense, the Tigers are very quick and aggressive, and never back down from a challenge. I know Elba is probably thought of as only the third best team in the area and had to go into overtime to get past the number four team, but I just have a feeling things are coming together and see some upsets

on the horizon.

\*\*\* *The Elba Lady Tigers are racing* through the early part of the area schedule without breaking a sweat and the biggest problem for their coach may be to convince the girls they aren't as good as they think, which is hard when your area wins have come by average of almost fifty points. I agree our girls are very talented and can beat anyone in the state on any given night, but also believe they can be beat if they don't play their best and play aggressive every minute of every game. The first step for the Lady Tigers is to win the area title and host the area tournament, and once they accomplish that take it step by step, and not get caught looking ahead or listening to their fans talking about going back to the state tournament.

\*\*\* *The high school basketball season* is beginning to head down the home stretch and I still believe all area fans are in for some excitement in the weeks to come. On the boys' side, Brantley, New Brockton and Zion Chapel are all battling for an area title and have the talent and coaching to bring home a title, while Kinston is getting better and better and is playing too well right now to overlook. As for the girls, New Brockton looks like a team to keep an eye on and is piling up the wins, while Brantley and Kinston are in the same area and will have to play their best to advance, and Zion Chapel can just have fun and see if it can knock off someone down the line. The season may be nearing an end, but the real fun is just starting.

\*\*\* *Obviously the biggest sports story in the state* last week was the retirement of Nick Saban as the head football coach at Alabama. While Coach Saban admitted he wasn't sure he would retire until minutes before his announcement to his team, he stated in an ESPN interview that the past season was "gueling" and took a little more

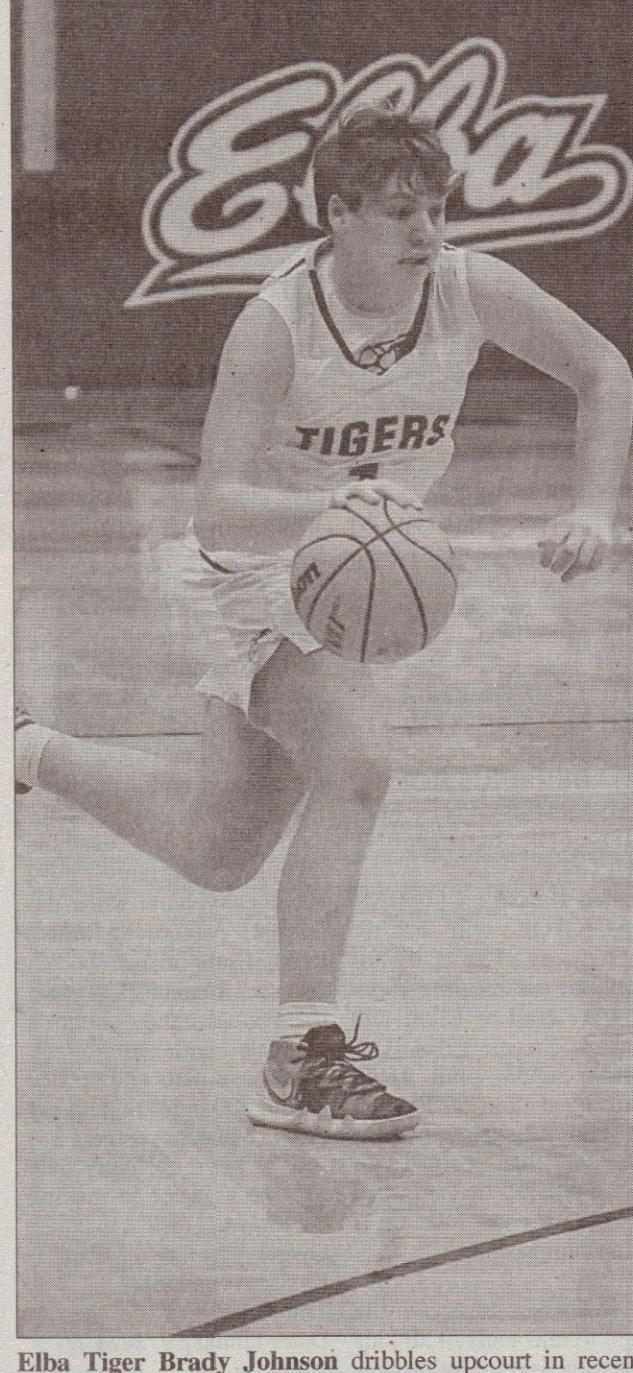
out of him than usual and that in his own mind he may not have lived up to the standards he set for himself as a coach. As a nine time 'Coach of the Year,' a coach that has led his teams to seven national championships and a 206-29 record as the head man for the Crimson Tide, his standards are no doubt very high! The pinnacle of his 17-year stay at Alabama was the decade from 2011-2020, when the Tide posted a 127-12 record and claimed five national championships and seven SEC titles. Two of the greatest football coaches in the history of college football were Bear Bryant and Nick Saban, and we as Bama fans should be happy we got to be around long enough to watch both put the Crimson Tide on the map as the capital of the college football world.

\*\*\* *I have read and heard everyone's opinion* on Alabama's new coach, and while I know many of you will disagree with my opinion, since this is my column I have the right to my opinion and here it is. I think the officials at Alabama let Nick Saban have too much of an impact on who would follow him and in doing so missed out on the obvious choice – Lane Kiffin. Kiffin has gone out of his way while at Ole Miss to never say anything bad about Saban, or the Crimson Tide, but Saban has never buried the hatchet for some reason, and I betcha if Kiffin had been hired he and Miss Terry would not have been sitting on the front row at his introduction as head coach. I also believe if Kiffin had gotten the job no one would have been worrying about the new portal and who might be leaving. There it is – I think Bama blew it and ignored the wishes of the majority of its fans and players! As for new head coach Kalen De Boer, I hope he becomes the winningest coach ever at Alabama. All I hear is that he is a 'winner' and has been a 'winner everywhere he has been.' That's great, because winners win. I know his career coaching record is an unbelievable 104-12, but his years at Sioux Falls, where his teams posted a 67-3 record help the career stats quite a bit, and while I will agree he had two very good years at Washington, I just have my doubts on his road to Bama. As for Alabama Athletic Director Greg Byrne, he reminds me of a science teacher that took on the role of athletic director to add to his paycheck, and actually thinks he is a coach. I read all the great accomplishments that have occurred since he took the post at Alabama and that is impressive. So, hopefully he got this hire right and one day I will admit I was wrong and he was right. Until then, that is just the opinion of a small town sports writer that pens a weekly column.

\*\*\* *While on the subject of college football*, it looks like Auburn head coach Hugh Freeze has begun the process of putting his own fingerprint on the Tigers with last week's news that both Cadillac Williams and Zac Etheridge are leaving the program. Williams was an obvious keeper when Freeze took the job at Auburn since the former Auburn All-American was the face of the program and one of the most popular players and coaches ever on the plains, while Etheridge was also a former player that was popular with fans and players, alike. The loss of the coaches will no doubt have an impact on recruiting and ruffle the feathers of many Auburn faithful, but Freeze is the man in charge and is now bringing in his own folks to work around him. Hey, the new hires may pay dividends down the road, but for now the immediate return is just a bunch of unhappy folks.

\*\*\* *In closing...* the Elba Tigers are one of just a few football teams across the state that have yet to release their schedule for next season, but after looking at the schedule of the teams in their region and others in the area, the schedule does at least begin to come together. From what I have seen, Elba will open the season at Luverne in a non-region game and then come home in week two for a match-up against former private school power Glenwood Academy, followed by home games against region foes McKenzie and Kinston. A trip to Brantley is on the schedule in week five, and that is it for now until weeks eight and nine, where the Tigers will host Georgiana and Florala in a pair of region clashes. I know it is basketball season and that means the next two sports in high school are baseball and softball. However, as other schools released their schedules I just had to at least take a peek.

## Tigers split area road contests



**Elba Tiger Brady Johnson** dribbles upcourt in recent high school basketball action. Elba evened its record at 8-8 last week with a road win over Houston County, but closed the week with an area loss at Florala to fall into second place in the area standings.

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### Elba 67 Houston County 50

The Elba Tigers pulled ahead early and never looked back to claim an important 67-50 area road win over the Houston County Lions.

Jacob Watkins and Alvin Henderson combined for 13 first quarter points as the Tigers opened up a 20-9 lead, while Brady Johnson drained a three-pointer and scored five points in the second quarter to help Elba carry a 36-23 lead in at intermission. Houston County was able to cut into the Elba lead slightly in the third quarter. However, Jamal Siler took command inside in the final quarter and the Tigers missed only one free throw down the stretch as they posted the impressive 67-50 area win.

Alvin Henderson scored 20 points to lead Elba, while also scoring for the Tigers were Jamal Siler 13, Jacob Watkins 11, Cameron Gray 10, Ty Sieving 7, Brady Johnson 5 and Cody Gray 1. Isaac Walker scored 18 points to lead the Lions.

### Florala 54 Elba 44

The Elba Tigers saw a five-point lead vanish during a third quarter scoring drought in a hard fought 55-44 area road loss to the Florala Wildcats.

Elba came out ready to play against the area-leading Wildcats and behind the three-point shooting of Ty Sieving and Alvin Henderson jumped out to an early 8-2 lead, only to see Florala rally late in the stanza to pull ahead 11-10. Sieving nailed another three-pointer with 2:03 left in the second quarter to pull the Tigers even at 19-19, but the Wildcats scored late and at the half went in with a 24-23 advantage.

Ty Sieving hit his third three-pointer of the night early in the third quarter to put Elba on top 26-24, and behind the scoring of Cameron Gray and Emmanuel Cook inside opened up a 30-25 lead with 6:23 remaining in the quarter. The Tigers would only manage to score two points the rest of the quarter; however, and Florala took advantage of the scoring drought and went on a 15-2 run to carry a 40-32 lead into the final stanza. Elba stayed within striking distance for much of the fourth quarter and only trailed by five points with less than two minutes remaining, but the Wildcats were accurate from the free-throw line and pulled away late to hand the Tigers the 54-44 area defeat.

Alvin Henderson scored 15 points and Ty Sieving added 13 to lead Elba, while also scoring for the Tigers were Cody Gray 4, Cameron Gray 4, Emmanuel Cooks 4, Jacob Watkins 3 and Brady Johnson 1. Rayshon Coleman scored 19 points to lead Florala.

### Basketball

### SCHEDULES

#### Thursday, Jan. 18

Florala at Elba  
Zion Chapel at Pike Lib  
Houston County at Brantley

#### Friday, Jan. 19

Elba at Pike Lib  
Kinston at Brantley  
New Brockton at Opp

#### Saturday, Jan. 20

Elba at Opp  
Kinston at Florala  
Zion Chapel at Goshen  
Pike County at New Brockton

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## SPORTS NEWS



**Elba Lady Tiger A'Lyric Whitfield** (10) goes up for a shot jumper in a recent basketball home game. Whitfield led the Lady Tigers to a pair of area road wins last week.

(Photo by BCSports Photography)

### Rip Houston County and Florala

### Elba Lady Tigers remain atop area standings with two wins

The Elba Lady Tigers tightened their hold on the top spot in the area standings last week with a pair of area road wins over Houston County and Florala.

Following is a recap of both area wins:

#### Elba 77 Houston County 6

The Elba Lady Tigers continued their dominance over area opponents with a lopsided 77-6 road win over the Houston County Lady Lions.

A'Lyric Whitfield scored 23 points, including 21 in the first half, to lead Elba, while also scoring for the Lady Tigers were Ana Caldwell 12, Alayvia Stinson 9, Ayrika Caldwell 8, Keelie Moseley 6, Sydney Siler 6, Kendra Juarez 5, Ny'Asia McCollough 4, Brooke Tinsley 2 and Tajah Robinson 2. Zion Smith and Nazyiah Rivers both scored 3 points for Houston County.

#### Elba 50 Florala 26

The Elba Lady Tigers pulled ahead early and never looked back to claim an impressive 50-26 area road win.

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### High School

### HOOPS HIGHLIGHT

#### BOYS:

##### Zion Chapel Rebels rip Goshen 59-48

The Zion Chapel Rebels got back on track with a 59-48 win over the Goshen Eagles. Slade Grantham scored 23 points and went over the 1,000-point mark in his career, as he connected on all three three-point tries, hit 8 of 10 free throw opportunities and added three field goals. Jacob Chestnut added 19 points and Joseph Legear scored eight. Jayden McNabb scored 11 points to pace the Eagles.

##### Brantley Bulldogs drop Kinston 54-43

The Brantley Bulldogs kept on rolling in area play with a solid 54-43 win over Kinston. Jayden Parks scored 34 points, grabbed six rebounds, handed out five assists and had four steals to lead the Bulldogs, while Daylan Davis scored 10 points and pulled down 12 rebounds. Colby Tew scored 18 points to lead Kinston, while Michael Thompson added 13 and Zane Martin scored 10.

##### Zion Chapel upset by Highland 55-46

The Zion Chapel Rebels saw their area woes continue with a 55-46 loss to Highland Home. The Rebels owned a 35-31 lead heading into the fourth quarter, but were outscored 24-9 in the final stanza and slipped to 0-2 in area play. Slade Grantham scored 18 points and Mason Stuart added 10 to lead Zion Chapel, while Jakaleb Faulk scored 19 points for Highland Home.

##### New Brockton whips Opp 57-42

The New Brockton Gamecocks picked up a key area win with a 57-42 victory over the Opp Bobcats. Josiah Lewis scored 16 points and Kenyon Kilow added 15 to speak the Gamecocks, while Conner Powers and Damirian Thompson scored 8 points, apiece, for the Bobcats.

##### Brantley Bulldogs fall at Florala 57-42

The Brantley Bulldogs dropped an important 57-42 area clash to the Florala Wildcats. Jayden Parks scored 25 points, grabbed five rebounds and had four steals to lead Brantley, while Daylan Davis added 13 points and 15 rebounds.

##### Kinston falls to Emmanuel Ch. 46-42

The Kinston Bulldogs dropped a hotly contested 46-42 contest to Emmanuel Christian. Donald Alums scored 12 points and grabbed 8 rebounds to lead Emmanuel Christian, while Tristan Culp added 10 points and 9 rebounds.

##### New Brockton dumps Pike County 53-48

The New Brockton Gamecocks claimed a key area win with an exciting 53-48 win over the Pike County Bulldogs. Yassiah Rousseau scored 12 points and Anthony Silar added 10 to lead the Gamecocks to the area win, while Kenyon Kilow and Josiah Lewis both added 9 points, and Baylon Foster scored 8. Markelis Hobdy scored 15 points for Pike County.

#### GIRLS:

##### Lady Bulldogs defeat Kinston 47-41

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs claimed an important area win with a 47-41 victory over Kinston. Alex Grimes scored 20 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead Brantley, while Coco Stamps added 13 points, five rebounds, five assists and five steals; and, Myia Mount added 10 points.

##### Zion Chapel ranked 4th in 2A

### Elba Lady Tigers ranked fifth in ASWA poll

The Alabama Sports Writers Association has released its first high school basketball poll of the new year with the Elba Lady Tigers ranked fifth in Class 1A and the Zion Chapel Rebels ranked fourth in Class 1A. The Lady Tigers, a state 'Final Four' participant last season, slipped from the number three spot in the first poll of the season after dropping two games in a holiday tournament, while the Rebels maintained their hold on the number four spot.

Following is a list of the 'Top 3' teams in each

classification for boys and girls, along with teams in the area:

(GIRLS) Class 7A – 1. Bob Jones, 2. Sparkman, 3. Vestavia Hills; Class 6A – 1. Hazel Green, 2. Hillcrest Tuscaloosa, 3. Mortimer Jordan; Class 5A – 1. Pleasant Grove, 2. Jasper, 3. Southside Gadsden; Class 4A – 1. Prattville Christian, 2. Good Hope, 3. Deshler, 9. Geneva; Class 3A – 1. Lauderdale County, 2. Plainview, 3. Clements, 9. Ashford; Class 2A – 1. Mars Hill Bible, 2. Cold Springs, 3. Decatur Heritage, 9. Abbeville; Class 1A – 1. Spring Garden, 2. Skyline, 3. Marion County, 5. Elba.

(BOYS) Class 7A – 1. Huntsville, 2. Hoover, 3. Austin; Class 6A – 1. Buckhorn, 2. Paul Bryant, 3. Helena; Class 5A – 1. Fairfield, 2. Valley, 3. Madison Academy; Class 4A – 1. Hale County, 2. Jacksonville, 3. White Plains, 8. Geneva; Class 3A – 1. Sumter Central, 2. Plainview, 3. Midfield, 4. Houston Academy, 5.

#### Elba JV rips Florala Wildcats

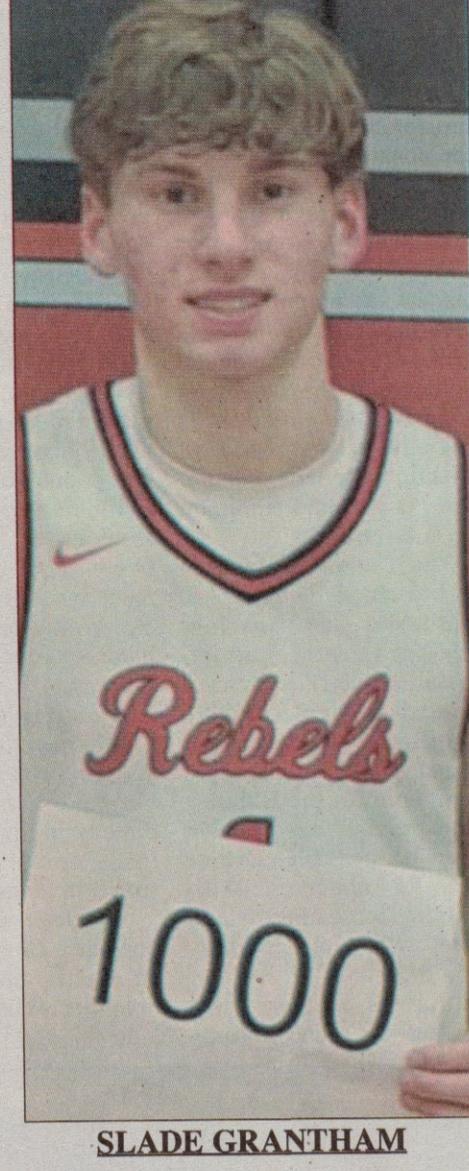
The Elba Tigers pulled ahead early and never lost command in a solid 40-31 road win over the Florala Wildcats, in junior varsity basketball action. The Tigers jumped out to a 15-5 first quarter lead to take command and battled until the final buzzer.

Javante Griggs scored 22 points to lead Elba, while also scoring for the Tigers were Ky'Avian Stoudemire 5, Easton McKelvy 4, Johnathan Edwards 4, Levi Martin 3 and Matthew McCart 2. Bobby Coleman led Florala with 13 points.

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and 15 rebounds.

##### Zion Chapel drops clash to Goshen 46-17

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels dropped a 46-17 area contest to the Goshen Lady Eagles.

##### New Brockton batters Lady Bobcats 65-26

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks remained atop the area standings with an impressive 65-26 win over the Opp Lady Bobcats. Casey Williams scored 21 points to lead New Brockton, while Ariana Smith and Gabby Eubanks both scored 12 points. Takyla Crittenden scored 8 points to lead Opp.

##### Lady Bulldogs fall to Florala 62-61

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs dropped a hard fought 62-61 area decision to the Floral Lady Wildcats. Alex Grimes poured in 32 points, grabbed six rebounds and had four steals to lead Brantley, while Anna Parker Little added 13 points and five rebounds.

##### Zion Chapel falls to Highland 57-18

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels continued their area woes with a 57-18 loss to Highland Home.

##### New Brockton pops Pike County 47-24

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks picked up an important area win with a dominating 47-24 win over Pike County. Casey Williams scored 13 points and Gabby Eubanks added 9 to lead New Brockton, while Pike County was led by Kondrea Griffin and JoJo Thomas with seven points, apiece.

##### Kinston rolls past Emmanuel Ch. 55-20

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs rolled over Emmanuel Christian 55-20. Kaley Norris scored 27 points to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Lauren Norris added 13 and Aubrey Norris scored 9.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### LBW's Center for Building Construction to fuel training for statewide, careers in construction

Shovels broke ground ten-year data projections in Andalusia on Tuesday, January 11, at the Lurleen B. Wallace (LBW) Community College Center for Building Construction, a 3.5 million, 10,000-square-feet project that will facilitate the construction industry's training needs in the state's southeastern region.

Alabama Community College System (ACCS) leaders, local public officials, and industry partners broke ground on the development on the northwest side of LBW's Andalusia campus, between the Jeff Bishop Student Center and the Seth Hammatt Gymnasium.

The Center for Building Construction includes one classroom and two labs equipped with state-of-the-art industry equipment needed to train a future workforce with real-life scenarios. Students will train both for the Building Construction Associate of Applied Science Degree and for noncredit skills training for a multitude of areas within the construction industry.

"As we monitor labor market data and five-to-

finally gotten our wish through LBW's current training programs and this future center," Bergfeld said.

"We appreciate a college that listens to our needs and responds, and look forward to working with LBW in any way that we can."

The Center for Building Construction is among various infrastructure projects, at multiple campus locations, that will move forward in the next few years through legislative appropriated funds for capital improvements across Alabama's community and technical colleges.

Seay Seay & Litchfield (SS&L) has been selected as the architect on the project.

The Center for Building Construction is expected to open in fall 2024.

**SEACT presents dramatic reading this Friday evening in Dothan**

SEACT will present a dramatic reading of Kenneth Jones' timely play, Alabama Story.

A dramatic reading is an opportunity for audiences to become intimately acquainted with a dramatic work. There are no sets or costumes, shifting the focus of the presentation to the playwright's words and the actors' performances.

**Feb. 12th is deadline to register to vote in Alabama's March 5 Primary Elections**

Coffee County officials remind voters that Monday, Feb. 12, at 4:30 p.m. is the deadline for registering to vote in time for the March 5, 2024 Primary Elections.

The Board of Registrars' office is located in the Coffee County Complex, E. McKinnon St., New Brockton, AL.

Any person may register to vote, provided they:

- are a citizen of the United States;
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- are at least 18 years old on or before election day;
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**LCPE Welcomes New Member...** Sandra Danford recently was initiated as the newest member of the Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise by the LCPE Membership Chair, Gina Oates. Danford was welcomed into the club and reminded that the name "Pilot" was inspired by the mighty riverboat pilots who represented leadership and guidance, that the Pilot principles are friendship and service; that the Pilot motto is "True Course Ever", and that the colors are green for life and vigor and gold for sincerity of purpose. Shown in photo (from left) are Debbie Shelton, president; Fran Walters, Sandra's sponsor; Gina Oates at ginaoates686@outlook.com.

### Happening at the Elba Public Library:

- Homeschool Hangout resumes Thursday, Jan. 18, at 10 a.m. This is for homeschooled children of all ages.
- Make-It-Monday will be Monday, Jan. 22, at 5:30 p.m. This program is free to all participants.

Call the Elba Public Library at (334) 897-6921 for more information.

### CORNER

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We are all three many miles apart with different careers and families and rarely see each other at all. However, I believe there is still an unspoken bond that holds the three of us together and I am confident that they would say the same.

*One who has unreliable friends soon comes to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother. (Proverbs 18:24)*

#### Epilogue

Little John was diagnosed with a form of brain cancer in late 2015. He fought it like a warrior but passed away in February 2017. I sat with Big Jon at the memorial service on Saturday February 18. Jon and his big brother Bill spoke briefly as part of the service. As I sat there next to "Big" with tears in my eyes and thought about all of the memories of "little" I realized that I have been truly blessed. To have grown up when and where I did and to have this bond of brotherhood that can't be broken. I'm thankful that even death can't break this bond because I know that because of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ I will see Little John again.

To Big Jon: I love you brother, let's keep up more often.

To little John: I'll see you when I get home.

### Deadline to apply in-person for an absentee ballot for March Primary Election is Feb. 29

Please note that Thursday, Feb. 29, at 4:30 p.m., is the deadline to apply in person for absentee ballots for the March 5 Primary Election.

Beginning Jan. 10, 2024, applications for absentee voting will be available at the absentee election manager's office in New Brockton. Absentee Election Manager is Debbie Kinsaul. Mailing address is P.O. Box 427, New Brockton, AL, 36351. The physical location is 5 County Complex, New Brockton, Alabama.

Any qualified voter may submit an absentee ballot application by mail or in person to the Absentee Election Manager's office for the following reasons:

• The voter is out of the country or state on Election Day.

• The voter has any physical illness or infirmity which prevents the voter from attending the polls.

• The voter works a shift that has at least 10 hours, which coincide with the hours the polls are open at the voter's regular polling place.

• The voter is a student enrolled in school outside the county of residence.

• The voter is a member, a spouse or a dependent of a member of the United States Armed Forces or is similarly qualified to vote absentee according to the Federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act.

• The voter is a caregiver for a family member who is confined to their own home.

• The voter is incarcerated in prison or jail and have not been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude.

Alabama voters voting under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) may receive additional information by contacting the Board of Registrars' office or the office of the Alabama Secretary of State for expanded options.

Completed ballots must be returned by the voter in person to the Absentee Election Manager at 5 County Complex, New Brockton, Alabama no later than one day prior to the election, or if mailed through the United States Postal Service, it must be postmarked no later than one day prior to the election.

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This non-compliance was due to the lab not taking the required sample. We have since made sure the lab has all the samples on their list.

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